

# Student Achievement Council

RCW 28A.600.100 through .150, and 28B.12, .45, .70, .76, .77, .85, .90, .92, .95, .97, .102, .105, .106, .108, .109, .110, .115, .116, .117, .118, .119, .120, .122, .133, .135, .145

## Current Law Budget

Request	\$577,730,000	
Net change from current biennium	\$190,123,750	Decrease
Percent change from current biennium	24.8%	Decrease

The Legislature created the Washington Student Achievement Council in July 2012 (RCW 28b.77). By statute, the Council provides strategic planning, oversight, advocacy, and programs to support increased student success and higher levels of educational attainment in Washington.

Strategic planning, oversight, and advocacy includes: proposing a ten-year Roadmap and short-term Strategic Action Plan to increase educational attainment; analyzing, researching, and proposing improvements and innovations to address the state's evolving educational needs; advocating for higher education and educating the public on the benefits of postsecondary education; working to support student transitions to the workforce following secondary and postsecondary education; and expanding options for education consumers.

Program administration includes: ensuring the quality of state financial aid programs and services that support educational access and affordability; providing college savings opportunities through the Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) program; preparing underrepresented middle and high school students for postsecondary education through early outreach and success programs, such as College Bound and GEAR UP.

## Agency Mission

The Washington Student Achievement Council advances educational opportunities and attainment in Washington by leading statewide strategic planning to improve educational coordination and transitions, the administration of financial aid, a college savings plan, and support services, and by advocating for the economic, social, and civic benefits of postsecondary education.

## Agency Level Summary

### Operating Budget: Summary

2013-15 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance		2011-13 Actual	2013-15 Estimated	2015-17 Proposed
505,397,000	110,032	General Fund - Basic Account - State	216,904,958	505,286,968	346,170,000
16,450,000		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal	6,576,975	16,450,000	16,677,000
		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal Unanticipated	768,700		
334,000		General Fund - Basic Account - Private/Local		334,000	300,000
123,782		General Fund - Basic Account - Private/Local Unanticipated	134,569	123,782	
79,651,000		Education Legacy Trust Account - State		79,651,000	62,414,000
141,000,000		WA Opportunity Pathways Account - State	108,500,000	141,000,000	135,000,000
742,955,782	110,032	Total Appropriated Funds	332,885,202	742,845,750	560,561,000
Non-Appropriated Funds					

**Non-Appropriated Funds**

Future Teacher Conditional Scholar - Non-Appropriated	132,278	480,000	308,000
Health Prof Loan Repay/Scholar Prog - Non-Appropriated	1,545,259	6,624,000	4,141,000
State Educational Trust Fund Acct - Non-Appropriated	60,812	5,292,000	1,292,000
Advanced Coll Tuition Payment Prog - Non-Appropriated	4,419,116	12,462,000	11,278,000
4 Yr Student Child Care Hi Ed Acct - Non-Appropriated	77,691	150,000	150,000
Total Non-Appropriated Funds	6,235,156	25,008,000	17,169,000

**Operating Budget: Change from Preceding Biennium**

	2011-13 Actual		2013-15 Estimated		2015-17 Proposed	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	339,120,358		428,733,392	126.4%	(190,123,750)	(24.8)%

**Employment Summary**

	2012-13 Actual	2013-14 Estimated	2014-15 Estimated	2015-16 Proposed	2016-17 Proposed
FTE Staff Years	95.2	0.0	95.8	98.3	98.3

## **Agency Local Funds**

### **Foster Care Endowed Scholarship Trust**

This account receives funds appropriated by the legislature for the Foster Care Endowed Scholarship program. When the Council receives \$25,000 in private cash donations, matching funds are transferred from the Foster Care Endowed Scholarship Trust to the Foster Care Scholarship Endowment Account.

### **State Financial Aid Account**

The primary purpose of the account is to ensure that all appropriations designated for financial aid through statewide student financial aid programs are made available to eligible students. Monies appropriated for use by State Need Grant,

### **GET Ready for Math and Science Scholarship Account**

This account is used for scholarships to eligible students and for purchases of GET units. Purchased GET units are owned and held in trust by the board. Expenditures from the account are an equal match of state appropriations and private funds raised by the program administrator.

### **Aerospace Training Student Loan Account**

This account is used solely for low-interest student loans to participants in the aerospace training student loan program and costs associated with program administration. Eligible students must be in an aerospace training and educational program and maintain satisfactory progress in that program.

### **Opportunity Expansion Account**

This account provides opportunity expansion awards to institutions of higher education.

### **Future Teachers Conditional Scholarship Account**

This account is used to accumulate repayments from recipients who did not subsequently meet the service requirements of previous conditional scholarship programs for teachers. Funds accumulated will be used either to award new conditional scholarships or to allow teachers serving in underserved areas or disciplines to repay student loans.

### **Washington Graduate Fellowship Trust Account**

Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the graduate fellowship program are deposited in the Graduate Fellowship Trust Account. The program provides a matching grant to assist public four-year institutions of higher education in creating endowments for funding fellowships for graduate students.

### **Commission on Higher Education Professional Student Exchange Program Trust Account**

This account is used to accumulate repayments from recipients who did not subsequently meet the service requirements of this WICHE compact program. When sufficient funds accumulate, they are used to fund new awards.

### **Advance College Tuition Payment Program Account**

This account is used to accumulate advance college tuition payments. Tuition is purchased in units representing one-hundredth of a full year's average tuition at Washington public institutions.

### **American Indian Scholarship Endowment Account**

Earnings from the account are used to provide scholarships to American Indian higher education students. The principal of the endowment fund shall not be invaded.

### **Foster Care Scholarship Endowment Account**

This account is used to provide grants to eligible students.

**Statement of Local Fund Balances**

	7/1/13	6/30/15	2015-17	2015-17	6/30/17
	Fund Balance	Estimated Fund Balance	Estimated Revenues	Estimated Expenditures	Estimated Fund Balance
<b>Non-Budgeted Funds</b>					
Foster Care Endowed Scholarship Trust	15,268	15,268	0	0	15,268
State Financial Aid Account	2,292,000	1,608,000	632,980,000	633,580,000	1,008,000
GET Ready for Math and Science Scholarship Account	237,831	2,000	4,285	0	6,285
Aerospace Training Student Loan Account	604,460	4,046,202	1,000,000	960,000	4,086,202
Future Teachers Conditional Scholarship Account	3,006,437	2,000,000	591,450	1,899,550	691,900
Washington Graduate Fellowship Trust Account	490	490	0	0	490
Commission on Higher Education Professional Student Exchange Program Trust Account	51,200	51,200	0	0	51,200
Advanced College Tuition Payment Program Account	(156,396,644)	160,000,000	513,566,434	460,890,000	212,676,434
American Indian Scholarship Endowment Account	2,250	641,691	29,000	28,000	642,691
Foster Care Scholarship Endowment Account	3,600	3,600	0	0	3,600
<b>Total Non-Budgeted Funds</b>	<b>(150,198,376)</b>	<b>168,353,183</b>	<b>1,148,171,169</b>	<b>1,097,357,550</b>	<b>219,166,802</b>